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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Governmental Affairs

AN ACT

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish
the major metropolitan area counterterrorism training
and exercise grant program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Community Counter-
3 terrorism Preparedness Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREA COUNTERTERROR-**
5 **ISM TRAINING AND EXERCISE GRANT PRO-**
6 **GRAM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XX of the
8 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 603 et seq.)
9 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

10 **“SEC. 2009. MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREA COUNTERTER-**
11 **RISM TRAINING AND EXERCISE GRANT**
12 **PROGRAM.**

13 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting
15 through the Administrator and the heads of other
16 relevant components of the Department, shall carry
17 out a program for emergency response providers to
18 prevent, prepare for, and respond to the most likely
19 terrorist attack scenarios, including active shooters,
20 as determined by the Secretary, against major met-
21 ropolitan areas.

22 “(2) INFORMATION.—In establishing the pro-
23 gram under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall pro-
24 vide to eligible applicants—

25 “(A) information, in an unclassified for-
26 mat, on the most likely terrorist attack sce-

1 narios, including active shooters, which such
2 grants are intended to address; and

3 “(B) information on training and exercises
4 best practices.

5 "(b) ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Emergency response pro-
7 viders in jurisdictions that are currently receiving, or
8 that previously received, funding under section 2003
9 may apply for a grant under the program estab-
10 lished in subsection (a).

11 “(2) ADDITIONAL JURISDICTIONS.—Eligible ap-
12 plicants receiving funding under the program estab-
13 lished in subsection (a) may include in activities
14 funded by such program neighboring jurisdictions
15 that would be likely to provide mutual aid in re-
16 sponse to the most likely terrorist attack scenarios,
17 including active shooters.

18 “(c) APPLICATION.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Eligible applicants de-
20 scribed in subsection (b) may apply for a grant
21 under this section, and shall submit such informa-
22 tion in support of an application as the Adminis-
23 trator may require.

24 "(2) MINIMUM CONTENTS OF APPLICATION.—

25 The Administrator shall require that each applicant

1 include in its application at a minimum, the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(A) The purpose for which the applicant
4 seeks grant funds, including a description of
5 how the applicant plans to use such funds.

6 “(B) A description of how the activity for
7 which the funding is sought will prepare the ap-
8 plicant to prevent, prepare for, and respond to
9 complex, coordinated attacks.

10 “(C) A description of how the applicant
11 will work with community partners located
12 within the applicant’s jurisdiction, such as
13 schools, places of worship, and businesses, as
14 appropriate, when conducting activities per-
15 mitted under subsection (d).

16 “(D) Such other information as deter-
17 mined necessary by the Administrator.

18 “(d) PERMITTED USES.—The recipient of a grant
19 under this section may use such grant to conduct training
20 and exercises consistent with preventing, preparing for,
21 and responding to the most likely terrorist attack sce-
22 narios, including active shooters.

23 “(e) PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.—The Administrator
24 shall make funds provided under this section available for

1 use by a recipient of a grant for a period of not fewer
2 than 24 months.

3 “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
4 are authorized to be appropriated for grants under this
5 section \$39,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2017 through
6 2022.”.

7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
8 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
9 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
10 2008 the following new item:

“Sec. 2009. Major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise grant program.”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 21,
2016.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.